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SUBJ: PORTUGUESE AND FORMER PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES'

VOTING ON ANTI-SEMITIC RESOLUTION

1. ONE OF CLEARER PATTERNS EMERGING FROM ANALYSIS OF VOTING IN THIRD COMMITTEE OCTOBER 17 WAS SUPPORT ACROSS THE BOARD BY PORTUGAL AND HER FORMER TERRITORIES FOR ANTI-SEMITIC RESOLUTION. PORTUGAL, GUINEA BISSAU, CAPE VERDE, AND MOZAMBIQUE ALL VOTED ON SIDE OF THE ARABS. SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE WAS ABSENT.

2. SURELY THE DEPARTMENT WILL WISH TO KEEP THIS IN MIND IN CONNECTION WITH PLANNING FOR ASSISTANCE PROJECTS.

3. RECOMMENDATION: THAT DEPARTMENT INSTRUCT EMBASSY LISBON TO SPEAK WITH PORTUGUESE MFA, INQUIRING WHY, WHEN PORTUGUESE POLICY HAS BEEN TO ABSTAIN ON SO MANY ISSUES OF IMPORTANCE, LISBON CHOSE TO VOTE FOR A CLEARLY ANTI-SEMITIC RESOLUTION. WE ARE PARTICULARLY STRUCK BY THIS VOTE GIVEN PORTUGAL'S TRADITIONAL POLICY TOWARD JEWS IN ITS OWN COUNTRY. IN NEW
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YORK, WE PLAN, UNLESS OTHERWISE INSTRUCTED, TO TELL

PORTUGUESE AFRICANS INVOLVED THAT THEIR UNPRINCIPLED VOTING
CANNOT AVOID INFLUENCING US AID PLANNING.
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